

Castro Gave Warning to Prisoners

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 26 (AP).—Fidel Castro visited briefly with a group of invasion prisoners just before they left Cuba and warned them they would be "liquidated" if they returned as aggressors.

"We told him we would come back and that he'd be the one liquidated," said Ulises Carbo, 37, one of the Cuban prisoners who arrived here on Christmas Eve after 20 months imprisonment in Havana and at the maximum security prison of Isle of Pines.

There was no particular reaction of any kind from Mr. Castro to this bit of defiance from the prisoners. Mr. Carbo said in an interview yesterday.

"He was putting on one of his old shows for us," he added. "He was petulant and distrustful about the shipment of medicine and food that went for our release. He told us, 'you are faithful enemies and we'll meet again and when we do there'll be no salvation for you. You'll be liquidated.'"

"But," Mr. Carbo went on, "Fidel isn't his old arrogant self. He looked crestfallen."

This exchange with Mr. Castro took place at the San Antonio de los Baños airbase, a United States-built airfield south of Havana, now jammed with Russian MIGs and other equipment.

Russian technicians in large numbers have given the town of San Antonio such a foreign air, Mr. Carbo reported, the people refer to its as "Moscow."

Mr. Carbo is the son of Sergio Carbo, editor-publisher of the closed newspaper Prensa Libre of Havana and a one-time expeditionary himself, who led an abortive invasion of Cuba against Dictator Gerardo Machado in 1932.

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